106TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

H. R. 4633

To amend title II of the Social Security Act to improve the Social Security Administration's payment system for representation of claimants.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

June 9, 2000

Mr. Shaw (for himself, Mr. Matsui, Mr. Weller, Mr. Cardin, Mr. Levin, Mr. Rangel, Mr. Hulshof, and Mr. Portman) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. TIMELY PAYMENT OF FEES FOR REPRESENTA-
- 4 TION.
- 5 Section 206(d)(3) of the Social Security Act (42
- 6 U.S.C. 406(d)(3)) is amended—
- 7 (1) by striking "The Commissioner" and insert-
- 8 ing the following:

1	"(A) In General.—The Commissioner";
2	and
3	(2) by adding at the end the following new sub-
4	paragraph:
5	"(B) Imposition of assessment contin-
6	GENT UPON TIMELY CERTIFICATION FOR PAY-
7	MENT OF FEES FOR REPRESENTATION.—The
8	Commissioner may impose the assessment
9	under this subsection in connection with any
10	past-due benefits only if the payment required
11	under this section in connection with such past-
12	due benefits is certified by the Commissioner
13	within 30 days after the initial certification by
14	the Commissioner for the payment of benefits
15	based on the application for the benefits in-
16	volved.".
17	SEC. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.
18	The amendments made by this Act shall apply with
19	respect to fees for representation of claimants which are
20	first required to be certified under section 206 of the So-

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21 cial Security Act after 90 days after the date of the enact-

22 ment of this Act.